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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of :)	Customer No. 27717
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Hironori KOBAYASHI et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1756
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Application No.: 09/882,409)	Examiner: John A. McPherson
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Filing Date: June 15, 2001)	Confirmation No. 8853
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For: STRUCTURE FOR PATTERN)	
FORMATION, METHOD FOR)	
PATTERN FORMATION, AND)	
APPLICATION THEREOF)	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 30, 2004 setting a shortened statutory response period of three months, which expired March 30, 2005. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith, bringing the term for response to June 30, 2005. Also filed herewith are three Terminal Disclaimers to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection Over a Prior Patent. Checks in the amount of \$1,020.00 (three-month extension fee) and \$390.00 (disclaimer fee) are enclosed herewith. Should any other fees be deemed necessary to be charged to this file, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1351. Applicants submit the following Remarks and respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejections made in the Action and to allow the claims to issue.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 36 of this paper.